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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Makoto TAKEMURA, Hisashi TAKAHASHI, Katsuhiko KAWAKAMI, Masao ITOH, Tetsuya SUZUKI, Tsuyoshi OHTANI, Masayasu SEKIGUCHI, Rie MIYAUCHI, and Isao HAYAKAWA
QUINOLONECARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVES
Assignee: DAIICHI PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.
Our Ref: Q79381

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 10/275,972 (Confirmation No. 4089) filed November 19, 2002 of Makoto TAKEMURA, Hisashi TAKAHASHI, Katsuhiko KAWAKAMI, Masao ITOH, Tetsuya SUZUKI, Tsuyoshi OHTANI, Masayasu SEKIGUCHI, Rie MIYAUCHI, and Isao HAYAKAWA, entitled QUINOLONECARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVES.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 3 sheet(s) of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1625.

The entire disclosure of the prior application, application number 10/275,972, filed November 19, 2002, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference.



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Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
JAPAN	2000-097690	March 31, 20000
JAPAN	2000-271231	September 7, 2000

The priority document(s) were filed in parent Application No. 10/275,972.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>2</u> - 20	=	<u> </u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>2</u> - 3	=	<u> </u>	x	\$86.00	=	<u> </u>	\$0.00
Base Fee								\$770.00

TOTAL FILING FEE

\$770.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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